

# Vote in the WHITE PRIMARY for Municipal Candidates TO-DAY

**WEATHER** Showers and thunderstorms; colder Tuesday night; Wednesday fair; fresh south winds.

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### NEW PANAMA CANAL COMMISSION NAMED

**Seven Members Appointed by President Announced Yesterday—T. P. Shonts is Chairman of New Body.**

**BIG SAVING IN SALARIES**  
**Has Been Effectuated Under Plan of Re-organization Adopted.**

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT COMPLETED WITH LETTER OF LAW BY APPOINTING SEVEN MEMBERS, BUT ONLY THREE HAVE ANY EXECUTIVE AUTHORITY—CHOSEN FOR PARTICULAR ABILITY.

By Associated Press.  
Washington, April 3.—The president has carried out his plan for the reorganization of the Isthmian Canal Commission as to personnel and business methods generally on the lines of legislation he suggested to congress at the last session, which failed in the crush of business at the closing hours. To-day within half an hour of the president's departure from Washington, Secretary Taft, directly in charge of canal matters, made public the personnel of the new commission and the division of duties among them.  
Finding he was obliged to appoint seven commissioners, the president did so, but he carried out his plan by making three of them practically the commission, and the other four, though bearing the title of commissioners, not only receive much lower compensation but are assigned to a much smaller field of action.  
The head of the commission is a trained railroad man, chosen for his administrative ability; the new governor of the Canal zone is a lawyer, and the engineer commissioner already is known for his ability in the practical work of cutting the canal. The other members of the commission were placed to comply with the law as to the number of commissioners but all are men of high ability as hydraulic engineers.  
The personnel of the new Isthmian Canal Commission is as follows:  
Theodore P. Shonts, chairman.  
Charles E. Macoon, governor of the Canal zone.  
John F. Wallace, chief engineer.  
Rear Admiral R. T. Eadico, U. S. N.  
Lieutenant General Peter C. Hains, U. S. A., retired.  
Colonel Oswald M. Ernst, corps engineer, U. S. A.  
Benjamin M. Harrod, of the old commission.  
These names were announced at the War department to-day, and in connection with the announcement Secretary Taft gave out for publication the following statement showing the reduction of salaries to the new commissioners:  
**Salary Allowances.**  
The president has made an order allowing a salary of \$7,500, with traveling expenses to each member of the commission and to the chairman of the commission the additional compensation of \$22,500, to the chief engineer the additional compensation of \$17,500, and to the governor of the zone the additional compensation of \$10,000. The head of each department is allowed the use of a furnished house upon the isthmus, and his traveling expenses when traveling on business of the commission.  
The total is \$102,500. The salaries and allowances under the former commission amounted to \$120,000. The total compensation of the governor of the zone and the chief engineer are in effect unchanged.

**MANITIBA MAN FOUND DEAD IN BED IN TEXAS.**  
By Associated Press.  
Fort Worth, Texas, April 3.—J. W. Payne, of Winnipeg, Manitoba, was found dead in bed at Terrell, Texas, in a hotel. He has been there ten days prospecting.  
He ate supper as usual last night and was found dead in the room this morning. No letter was left. He had \$117 in money. He was 50 years of age.

**DIED ON DAY OF TRIAL FOR MURDER.**  
By Associated Press.  
Lockhart, Texas, April 3.—S. M. Nixon, a prominent politician and lawyer, died here to-day of apoplexy induced by nervous collapse. His trial on the charge of murdering two men was set for to-day.

### PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT STARTS SOUTHERN TRIP

**Chief Executive of the Nation and Party Left Washington on Magnificent Special Train Yesterday, Followed by Cheers and Good Wishes.**

#### Original Panama Canal Commission.



A new commission has just been appointed in a way that will prevent any clashes of authority. Chief Engineer Wallace will be the real head of the commission, although T. P. Shonts has been appointed chairman.

### REAR ADMIRAL OUKTOMSKY WILL BE COURT-MARTIALED

**FOR LOSSES SUSTAINED BY RUSSIAN FLEET AT PORT ARTHUR, CLAIMS HE HAD NO ALTERNATIVE BUT TO RETURN AS OTHER VESSELS DESERTED HIM.**

By Associated Press.  
St. Petersburg, April 3.—Rear Admiral Ouktomsky has arrived here for a public court-martial to clear himself of the charges of being responsible for the loss sustained by the Port Arthur squadron on August 10 last.  
He denies that he had an order to return to Port Arthur, but maintains that after Witth's death he intended to break through the line of Admiral

### Rhodes Scholarship Won By State College Student

Special to The Journal.  
Tallahassee, Fla., April 3.—Fritz W. Buchholz, of Tampa, who has just been declared winner of the Rhodes Scholarship of Oxford University from Florida, is twenty years old, and stands high in the class of graduates from the state college this year. He is a member of the Kappa Alpha Fraternity and is a son of Prof. L. W. Buchholz. The committee on selections was composed of Presidents Murphree, of the state college and Sledd, of the University and Blackburn of Rollins College.

### Attorney of Smith Says Requisition Was Illegal

By Associated Press.  
Cincinnati, April 3.—Habeas corpus proceedings instituted by J. Morgan Smith and wife relatives of Nan Patterson will be heard on Wednesday. The main point of contention of the attorney for Smith is that the requisition papers were not issued by Governor Herrick of New York, but by a clerk.  
The attorney contended that when the papers were issued Governor Herrick was in Texas, having left with the executive clerk forms

### Police are Investigating Death of Georgia Woman

By Associated Press.  
New York, April 3.—The police are investigating the death of Mrs. Ruby Larned, 23 years old, formerly a resident of Atlanta, Ga., which occurred under peculiar circumstances at her home on Lenox avenue. The woman's husband, William Livingstone Larned was arraigned before the coroner and locked up pending the result of an autopsy. The coroner's physician said letters in which the woman threatened to commit suicide had been found

### HIGH PYTHIAN FATALLY SHOT

**FRANK J. BELL, GRAND CHANCELLOR, SHOT BY COURT CLERK IN DALLAS, TEX.**

By Associated Press.  
Dallas, Tex., April 3.—Frank J. Bell, grand chancellor of the Knights of Pythias of this city, was shot this afternoon by Robert R. Parker, chief clerk of the district court, in the latter's office. Bell was struck by bullets in the neck and left breast and is believed to be fatally injured. The cause of the shooting is not known as both men decline to make a statement.

### THREE VICTIMS OF COLLISION

**LOUISVILLE STREET CAR STRUCK BY TRAIN, KILLING ONE AND INJURING TWO OTHERS.**

By Associated Press.  
Louisville, Ky., April 3.—A freight train on the Pittsburg Cleveland, Cincinnati and St. Louis division of the Pennsylvania railroad ran into a West Broadway street car at Fourteenth and Broadway to-day, killing one person and seriously injuring two others.  
The dead: Sister Mary Anthony, Louisville.  
Injured: Sister Mary Leander, Miss Katharine McGill.  
The three victims were on their way to schools in the western section of the city, where they are engaged as teachers. The street car was demolished.

### ALL QUIET IN SAN DOMINGO

By Associated Press.  
New York, April 3.—Vice-President Cares has arrived with his staff, riding from Santiago to confer with President Morales cables the World's correspondent at San Domingo.  
He reports the interior quiet. General Mignuelto, a minor leader, with fifteen men, is in revolt in the forest near Sanchez and hopes to co-operate in an attempt at landing by Barbe and the insurgent band on Turks Island. The gunboat Presidente is missing. It is reported to be cruising to prevent the landing of arms and ammunition at Maguerez in Turks Island. The gunboat Independencia, with eighty soldiers on board, sailed Saturday for Sanchez to intercept Mignuelto, with recruits for a revolt at Monte Cristi.

### OFFICERS SELECTED AT LEGISLATIVE CAUCUS

**Park M. Trammell Elected President of Senate and Albert W. Gilchrist Speaker of House by Unanimous Vote**

### NOW BOUND FOR VLADIVOSTOCK

**ADMIRAL ROJESTVENSKY HAS FINALLY DEPARTED FOR THE FAR EAST.**

By Associated Press.  
St. Petersburg, April 3.—A letter from Vice Admiral Rojestvensky to his wife, which has just been received here, indicates that the departure of the second squadron from Madagascar is final and that it is now on the way to Vladivostock. The admiral admitted knowledge of this move of Admiral Rojestvensky and stated that no contrary orders had been sent him.

### HEAVY FIGHTING EXPECTED SOON

**RUSSIAN CONCENTRATION COMPLETE AND ADVANCE LINES ARE 74 MILES NORTH OF TIE PASS.**

By Associated Press.  
Gunshu Pass, April 3.—A renewal of fighting is expected shortly. The concentration of the Russian army is complete, with advance lines 74 miles north of Tie Pass. The Japanese are screening their movements by means of cavalry, but a heavy movement seems to be in progress on the Russian flank.

### RUSSIANS DRIVEN OUT

Tokio, April 3.—A part of the Karyuan force drove the Russians from Mienhuachieh and occupied the village and northern heights March 31. The situation in other directions is unchanged.

### DEATH SUDDEN DAY OF REV. T. J. DAVIS.

Rev. T. J. Davis, who was well known in this city, where he had many friends, expired Sunday at his home, after an illness extending over a period of several weeks.  
The remains were placed at rest yesterday afternoon the ceremonies being conducted under the auspices of the Masons, of which the deceased was a member, and were also attended by the members of Camp Ward, No. 10, U. C. V., of which he had been a member for a number of years.

### Passed Through Pittsburg.

Pittsburg, April 3.—The special train bearing President Roosevelt and his party arrived here at 8:45 to-night.  
The trip from Washington was without incident except at Horse Shoe bend where, during a drizzling rain the president stopped the train and had the party photographed. Here the president appeared on the rear platform and was enthusiastically greeted by the large crowd.  
At 9:15 the train continued on its journey.

**Preparations at Dallas.**  
Dallas, April 3.—Great preparations are being made for the reception of President Roosevelt and party, who arrive here the evening of April 5. The president is to deliver an open air address and later he will be tendered a banquet. Over one hundred prominent republicans and democrats from all parts of the state have been invited. A military parade has been arranged in which the national guard men from all sections of the state will take part.

### AND WITHOUT OPPOSITION

**All Other Candidates Withdrawing Previous to the Caucus.**

CONSIDERABLE SURPRISE CAUSED BY ACTION OF AVOWED CANDIDATES FOR PRINCIPAL OFFICES IN LEGISLATIVE BODY. OTHER OFFICERS ELECTED LAST NIGHT AT TALLAHASSEE.

Tallahassee, April 3.—A great deal of interest has been manifested throughout the state in the contests for president of the senate and speaker of the house, there being several candidates for each office, all of whom seemed determined to win the honors. Considerable surprise was caused, therefore, when, just before the convening of the legislative caucus tonight T. F. West, J. W. Watson and J. D. Pirron all withdrew, leaving the leading candidates without opposition.  
Park M. Trammell, of Lakeland, was elected president of the senate and Albert W. Gilchrist, of Punta Gorda, speaker of the house, both elections being by unanimous vote. Among other officers elected were the following:  
Senate: T. J. Appleyard, secretary; J. O. Culpepper, assistant secretary; Fred Robertson, bill clerk; Nat Marion, reading clerk; John R. Willis, assistant reading clerk.  
House: J. G. Kellum, chief clerk; C. C. Stevens, assistant chief clerk; Nat R. Walker, assistant reading clerk (by one vote); G. J. Strozier, assistant reading clerk; G. B. Dickinson, bill clerk.  
The caucus was still in session at a late hour.

### ADMIRAL EVANS VISITS FLEET

**PAYS OFFICIAL CALLS ON THE VARIOUS COMMANDERS, AND MANY SALUTES ARE FIRED IN HIS HONOR.**

Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans, commander-in-chief of the North Atlantic fleet, paid an official visit to the commanders of the vessels comprising that fleet yesterday morning, and the boom of the big guns as they fired salutes in his honor could be heard for more than an hour.  
The commander-in-chief paid his first call about 10 o'clock and continued visiting the vessels of his magnificent fleet until all had been called upon. Although he assumed command several days ago yesterday was the first opportunity that he had of paying his respects to the officers in his command, and he remained only a short time at each vessel. Thirteen guns were fired by each vessel as the admiral took his departure.

### Paid Call to Flagship.

Among the visitors to the flagship yesterday were Mayor Welles, Comptroller Morgan, City Clerk Shine and Marshal Schad. They went out during the forenoon to pay their respects to Admiral Evans, but reached the vessel at a time when the admiral was absent calling upon the commanders of the various vessels. The officials remained only a short time when they returned to the city.

**British Vice-Consul to Visit.**  
British Vice-Consul Bonar will pay his respects to Admiral Evans this morning. He has chartered the launch Robert L. E. for the occasion and will leave during the forenoon. He will probably be accompanied by one or two parties the names of whom are not yet known.

### TENNESSEE DERBY WAS WON BY AGILE

By Associated Press.  
Memphis, April 3.—The Tennessee derby, worth nearly ten thousand dollars, was won to-day by Agile by five lengths. Time 1:58.

### Important Developments In Affairs of Equitable

By Associated Press.  
New York, April 3.—The most important development in Equitable Life Assurance Society affairs to-day was the announcement to-night by Governor Higgins at Albany and by President James W. Alexander, of the society in this city, that the state Superintendent of Insurance, Francis